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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Taxes assessed for the year 1884, are as follows:

State Tax, - - -	$1,856 00
County Tax, - -	1,290 76
Town Tax, - -	2,000 00
School Tax, - -	1,624 00
School House Tax, District No. 2, -	150 00
do. do. do. 4, -	10 00
do. do. do. 6, -	65 00
do. do. do. 12, set off to Chester, -	17 00
Town House Basement Tax, -	200 00
Grand Army Tax, - -	75 00
Dog Tax, - -	163 00
Derry Village Fire District Tax, -	80 00
Highway Tax, - -	1,561 80
do. do. non-resident, -	106 54
Per cent. added, - -	266 26
Highway Tax returned by Surveyors, -	110 96
	$9,576 32

SUMMARY.

RECEIPTS.

1884.			
Mar. 1.	Amount of cash in treasury,	-	$2,488 96
July 7.	Cash of Mrs. A. G. Merrill,	-	300 00
Sept. 27.	" Derry Nat. Bank,	-	500 00
1885.			
Jan. 26.	" County pauper claims,		395 37
Feb. 21.	" Railroad tax,	-	375 04
	" Savings' Bank tax,	-	2,092 25
	" Literary fund,	-	197 12
	" Bounty on crows,	-	5 60
	" Rent of Polly Batchelder house,	-	17 00
	" Use of Town hall,	-	3 00
	Interest on trust funds,	-	50 00
	Cash of H. C. Matthews, list '82,		46 47
	" do. highway " 82,		40 00
	" do. " 83,		1,595 83
28.	" do. " 84,		6,588 63
	" do. interest 82,		4 00
	" do. " 83,		10 00
			$14,709 27

SUMMARY.

EXPENDITURES.

State tax,	$1,856 00
County tax,	1,290 76
Schools,	2,080 44
Maintenance of poor,	966 18
Notes and interest,	1,157 00
Derry Village fire precinct,	225 38
East Derry do.	398 56
Town officers,	591 90
Roads and bridges,	1,726 68
Snow paths,	366 96
Taylor library,	113 13
Abatements,	202 09
Non-resident tax receipts,	44 79
Grand Army Republic,	75 00
Books, etc.,	115 42
Grave-yard,	67 30
Town House,	36 72
Sheep,	46 00
Brown fund,	20 75
Miscellaneous,	394 43
	$11,775 49

STATE TAX.

To paid Solon A. Carter,	-	$1,856 00

COUNTY TAX.

To paid Winthrop N. Dow,	-	$1,290 76

SCHOOLS.

No. 1.	Thomas T. Moore,	-	$229 10
2.	E. G. Parsons,	-	241 00
2.	N. B. Prescott, bal. 1883 tax,	-	99 88
2.	do. school house tax,		150 00
3.	Julia A. Parshley,	-	90 08
4.	F. H. Bartlett,	-	149 49
4.	do. school house tax,		10 00
5.	John M. Palmer,	-	86 00
6.	H. W. Spollett,	-	72 96
6.	do. school house tax,		65 00
7.	Daniel G. George,	-	133 98
8.	Horace A. Hill,	-	152 82
9.	John E. Webster,	-	112 67
10.	E. A. Savage,	-	49 12
11.	Charles E. Harnden,	-	337 22
12.	Abel M. Bowen,	-	76 78
12.	A. P. Morse, set off to Chester,		7 34
12.	L. C. Stevens, " " school house tax,		17 00
			$2,080 44

MAINTENANCE OF POOR.

To board and care of N. S. Sheldon,	-	$65 11
" do. Mary J. Corning,	-	38 90
" do. Esther A. Corning,		87 25
" do. Betsey Taylor,	-	84 00
" do. Frank L. Stevens,	-	18 00
" do. Charles C. Palmer,		21 50
" do. Sarah R. Richardson,		33 31
" do. Almira Wilkinson,		141 72
" do. George O. Everett,		139 47
" do. G. D. Hubbard,	-	91 69
" do. Paul Taylor,	-	84 20
Supplies for J. S. Manning and family,	-	113 92
Medical attendance on Jameson Greeley,		6 00
Supplies for Charles Holden,	-	15 66
Wood for Mrs. Gardner, -	-	6 25
do. Joseph S. Manning,	-	9 50
do. E. J. Perkins, -	-	1 50
Lodging, etc., for tramps, -	-	8 20
		$966 18

NOTES AND INTEREST.

To paid Stephen Reynolds,	-	$61 00
" James Nowell, -	-	376 00
" Samuel Nowell, -	-	60 00
" Mrs. J. E. N. Clendennin,	-	40 00
" Derry National Bank,	-	510 00

To paid Mrs. E. N. Pinkerton,	-	$60 00
" F. J. Shepard, Nowell and Brown trust funds,	- -	50 00
		$1,157 00

DERRY VILLAGE FIRE PRECINCT.

To paid Joseph R. Clark, fire ward,	-	$225 38

EAST DERRY VILLAGE FIRE PRECINCT.

To paid J. Hinman, for chemical engine,		$375 00
" J. A. & W. Bird & Co., chemicals,		9 86
" F. J. Shepard, for chemicals and freight and cartage,	-	13 70
		$398 56

TOWN OFFICERS.

To paid H. C. Matthews, collector,	-	$175 00
" John Folsom, selectman, 1882,	-	3 00
" W. W. Poor, do. 1883,	-	12 00
" I. H. Jones, constable,	-	6 00
" N. H. Brown, moderator,	-	6 00
" L. C. Stevens, selectman, 1883,		8 00
" J. F. Coburn, selectman,	-	130 00
" Alfred S. Stowell, school committee,		45 00
" T. P. Major, selectman,	-	71 90

To paid F. W. Parker, clerk,	-	$25 00
" G. W. Barker, supervisor,	-	10 00
" J. Folsom, selectman,	-	75 00
" F. J. Shepard, treasurer,	-	25 00
		$591 90

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

To paid J. C. Murdock, wash-out,	-	$25 57
" Porter C. Myrick,	-	4 85
" Charles M. Floyd,	-	8 50
" Thomas T. Moore,	-	15 64
" A. W. Kimball, -	-	50
" Geo. O. Drake, 1883,	-	3 00
" Moses E. Kimball, plank and timber, Fordway bridge,	-	101 53
" T. P. Major, labor, etc., do.	-	17 62
" Charles Clyde, 1883,	-	3 50
" Daniel G. George,	-	42 41
" Geo. W. Boyce, 1883,	-	3 61
" J. H. Clement, 1883,	-	1 80
" Joseph Klein, -	-	36 91
" William C. Greeley, 1883,	-	4 61
" Albert A. Stevens, 1883,	-	9 02
" N. Ripley, 1883, -	-	22 31
" Geo. I. Choate, 1883,	-	7 70
" S. M. Noyes, 1883,	-	5 20
" Isaac Chase, -	-	38 25
" Geo. G. Tucker, -	-	225 04

To paid	J. C. Rowell, Chester bridge, .	$45 00
"	E. C. Colby, do. .	27 77
"	Benj. Barker, . .	15 25
"	N. H. Brown, Chester bridge, .	28 37
"	O. S. Bartlett, do. .	5 25
"	J. F. Baker, do. .	32 70
"	S. M. Noyes and two horses, with road machine, .	277 38
"	G. S. Rollins, Fordway bridge, .	1 26
"	W. S. Clement, . .	6 28
"	A. L. Mellen, . .	31 54
"	H. S. Wheeler, . .	13 96
"	N. H. Brown, . .	164 44
"	Edwin Bohaker, . .	29 05
"	C. O. Noyes, . .	32 00
"	J. W. White, . .	26 41
"	W. L. S. Taber, . .	3 55
"	W. W. Bond, . .	3 00
"	W. B. Reynolds, . .	8 00
"	G. L. Adams, . .	8 26
"	Geo. W. Bachelder, .	11 48
"	Henry L. Hill, . .	22 25
"	L. E. Hardy, . .	33 00
"	W. D. White, . .	69 87
"	James Shirley, Chester bridge, .	11 85
"	M. W. Noble, . .	13 50
"	C. H. Day, plank timber, bridge near J. H. Eaton's, 1883, .	10 30
"	William Merrifield, .	42 03
"	C. L. Beals, . .	9 50

To paid	Luther C. Stevens,	$11 00
"	Geo. I. Choate, repairs highway and making culvert near W. D. Clark's,	67 12
"	Caleb A. Colby, bridge plank,	5 80
"	Orlando B. George, 1883,	2 50
"	Robert Rogers,	3 00
"	Nathan Gage, Horne's bridge,	19 79
"	do. Birch St. do. 1883,	20 43
"	J. F. Coburn, plank Horne's bridge,	6 72
"	J. C. Sanders,	8 00
"	Geo. A. Goodhue,	21 50
		$1,726 68

SNOW PATHS.

To paid	Amos Chase,	$1 95
"	Thomas T. Moore,	19 90
"	O. B. George,	12 42
"	E. C. Colby,	36 10
"	Porter C. Myrick,	6 90
"	Albert H. Low,	18 50
"	Reuben E. Sheldon,	3 30
"	Charles B. Reynolds,	32 00
"	C. L. Beals,	2 40
"	Stephen Williams,	8 98
"	A. M. Bowen,	30 96
"	Charles M. Floyd,	27 35
"	W. C. Green,	8 62

To paid	Henry L. Hill,	$10 20
"	Ezra E. Rogers,	21 90
"	A. W. Kimball,	21 42
"	Wm. H. Thwing,	11 75
"	George O Drake,	6 61
"	W. W. Bond,	3 02
"	Charles Clyde,	6 60
"	John D. Morrison,	2 90
"	Edward P. Esty,	3 75
"	W. C. Greeley,	7 36
"	Joseph Klein,	15 00
"	N. Ripley,	3 60
"	U. Hall,	15 35
"	George I. Choate,	5 20
"	S. M. Noyes,	4 45
"	J. N. Bradford,	4 57
"	C. H. Day,	12 90
"	John Folsom,	1 00
		$366 96

TAYLOR LIBRARY.

To paid	Miss E. F. Billings, librarian,	$25 00
"	Charles Bartlett, printing,	9 50
"	F. W. Parker,	1 63
"	Miss K. W. Eastman, librarian,	75 00
"	do. do. duster,	2 00
		$113 13

ABATEMENTS.

G. G. Tucker,	$4 32
R. W. Clendennin,	11 30
H. C. Matthews, list 1882,	25 65
Alexander McMurphy,	1 13
H. C. Matthews, list 1883,	56 17
Benj. Chase, list 1883,	89 00
H. C. Matthews, highway list, 1882,	14 52
	$202 09

NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY TAX RECEIPT.

H. C. Matthews,	$9 15
Amos Chase,	1 11
Porter C. Myrick,	99
George L. Adams,	6 30
H. C. Matthews,	5 76
L. C. Stevens,	7 40
H. C. Matthews,	14 08
	$44 79

BOOKS AND PRINTING.

To paid Charles Bartlett,	$79 35
" Temple & Farrington,	36 07
	$115 42

GEO. E. UPTON POST, No. 45, G. A. R.

To paid I. A. Dustin,	. .	$75 00

GRAVE-YARD.

To paid Geo. W. Bachelder,	.	$63 50
" H. N. Smith,	. .	75
" F. W. Parker,	. .	3 05
		$67 30

TOWN HOUSE.

To paid John Folsom,	. .	$4 00
" Geo. W. Bachelder,	.	20 00
" S. M. Noyes,	. .	6 50
" F. W. Parker,	. .	6 22
		$36 72

SHEEP.

To paid H. P. Weeks,	. .	$28 00
" George Moore,	. .	6 00
" James Rogers,	. .	3 00
" A. M. Bowen,	. .	9 00
		$46 00

BROWN FUND.

To paid W. O. Noyes,	. .	$7 50
" G. N. Kimball,	. .	3 00
" J. P. Whidden,	. .	3 75
" Joseph Coombs,	. .	3 00
" L. C. Stevens,	. .	1 50
" N. Ripley,	. .	2 00
		$20 75

MISCELLANEOUS.

To paid F. W. Parker, recording births, deaths, and marriages, -	$25 95
" F. W. Parker, repairs town pump,	75
" do. do. road machine,	1 43
" George Tyler, road machine, .	215 00
" do. do. .	18 00
" G. F. Priest, freight, road machine, . .	1 68
" J. F. Coburn, freight, road machine, . .	25
" C. H. Day, damage to wagon, .	4 00
" I. H. Adams, returning births and deaths, . .	8 00
" H. E. Newell, returning births and deaths, . .	3 50
" D. S. Clark, returning births and deaths, . .	4 75

To paid	I. A. Dustin, police services, 1883,	$2 50
"	N. Ripley, land damage, 1882, .	5 00
"	John Folsom, labor, guide posts,	50
"	G. F. Billings, do. do. .	10 50
"	W. S. Reynolds, labor on G. A. R. room, 1882, .	30 37
"	A. S. Stowell, school books, .	2 75
"	F. J. Hemphill, woodchucks, .	50
"	J. F. Coburn, bounty on woodchucks, . .	4 10
"	David Cross, legal advice, .	2 00
"	J. H. Miltimore, witness, liquor case, . .	1 90
"	Charles A. Wilson, copying invoice, . .	10 00
"	J. F. Coburn, expenses on pauper cases, . .	7 35
"	B. F. Wilson, tramps, .	2 25
"	I. G. Goodwin, repairs, road machine, . .	75
"	T. P. Major, woodchucks, .	3 60
"	John Folsom, do. .	5 80
"	do. taking Charles Palmer to County farm, .	7 00
"	John Folsom, taking Charles Holden to County farm, .	5 00
"	R. K. Jones, tramps, .	9 25
		$394 43

HIRAM C. MATTHEWS, Collector.

To bal. uncollected tax, 1882,	$59 34	
By cash received of collector,	46 47	
		$12 87
To bal. highway tax, 1882,	$54 15	
By cash received of collector,	40 00	
		14 15
To bal. uncollected tax, 1883,	$1,625 83	
By cash received of collector,	1,595 83	
		30 00
Highway tax, 1883,	$110 96	
		110 96
To tax list, 1884,	$7,896 27	
By received of collector,	6,588 63	
		1,307 64
Balance total uncollected tax,		$1,475 62

BALANCE SHEET.

To amount of notes payable at four per cent. interest,	$10,950 00
" amount interest due March 1st, 1885	756 67
" balance outstanding orders,	14 63
	$11,721 30

Cr.

By amt. non-collected taxes,	$1,475 62	
" cash in treasury,	2,948 41	
		$4,424 03
Balance town debt,		$7,297 27

6 468 13

$29.14

DERRY, February 28th, 1885.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts as presented by the Selectmen, and find them correctly cast, with satisfactory vouchers for all disbursements.

JOHN E. WEBSTER,
AUDITOR.

TRUST FUNDS.

TOWN OF DERRY, DR.

To amount of Sylvanus Brown legacy,	.	$500 00
" do. interest on same for 1884,		25 00
" do. do. unexpended in 1883,		21 98
		$546 98

CR.

By amount of legacy,	.	$500 00	
" do. paid for picking stone,		20 75	
" balance unexpended,	.	26 23	
			$546 98

TOWN OF DERRY, DR.

To amount of Pamelia Nowell legacy,	.	$500 00
" do. interest on same, 1884,	.	25 00
" do. do. unexpended in 1883,		132 55
		$657 55

Cr.

By amount of legacy, .	$500 00	
" do. interest unexpended,	157 55	
		$657 55

FLANNEL ACCOUNT.

The amount of flannel distributed the past year was 1,755 1-2 yards, to 175 persons.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES F. COBURN,
THOMAS P. MAJOR,
JOHN FOLSOM,
Selectmen of Derry.

55123
51717
3406

68255
55075
13180

FREDERICK J. SHEPARD, Treasurer,

In Account with Town of Derry, N. H., for Year 1884-5.

Dr.

Cash in treasury, March 1, 1884,	$2,488 96
" received from Selectmen, money hired,	800 00
" received from Selectmen, rent Batchelder house,	17 00
" received from Selectmen, rent of hall,	3 00
" received from Selectmen, County pauper claims,	395 37
" received from State Railroad tax,	375 04
" received from State Savings' Bank tax,	2,092 25
" received from State Literary fund,	197 12
" received from bounty on crows,	5 60
" received from interest on trust funds,	50 00
" cash received from H. C. Matthews, tax, 1882,	46 47
" cash received from H. C. Matthews, tax, 1883,	1,595 83
" cash received from H. C. Matthews, tax, 1884,	6,588 63
" cash received from H. C. Matthews, highway tax, 1882,	40 00

Cash received from H. C. Matthews, int. taxes, 1882, . .		$4 00
" received from H. C. Matthews, int. taxes, 1883, . .		10 00
		$14,709 27

Cr.

Paid Selectmen's orders, 1884,	$11,760 86	
Balance cash in treasury, Feb. 28, 1885, .	2,948 41	
		$14,709 27

TRUST FUNDS.

Mrs. Nowell legacy, . .	$500 00
Dr. Brown legacy, . .	500 00

Respectfully submitted.

FREDERICK J. SHEPARD,
Treasurer.

Derry, February 28, 1885.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of Frederick J. Shepard, Town Treasurer, above named, and find them correctly cast, and satisfactory vouchers for all disbursements.

JOHN E. WEBSTER,
Auditor.

TAYLOR LIBRARY.

To the Trustees of Taylor Library :

During the past year 3,354 books have been loaned.

Whole number of cards issued,		1,033
Number issued during the year,		39
Number of books added,		19
Number of books donated,		11
Whole number of books,		1,552
Number of books missing,		1
Money received for fines,	$16 01	
do. do. catalogues,	3 10	
	$19 11	
Amount paid Treasurer,	$19 11	

Four volumes of magazines have been purchased during the year ; they are now laid aside for rebinding, with twenty-nine books badly worn.

Respectfully submitted.

K W. EASTMAN,
Librarian.

James C. Taylor, Treasurer, in account with Taylor Library.

1884.		Dr.	
Feb. 25.	To cash in treasury,		$11 24
Nov.	" cash received of Librarian, fines,		10 00
1885.			
Feb. 26.	" cash received of Librarian, catalogues, etc.,		9 11
			$30 35

1884.		Cr.	
Sept. 4.	By paid Lockwood, Brooks & Co., binding,	$8 10	
Oct. 28.	" paid Lockwood, Brooks & Co., binding,	1 75	
1885.			
Feb. 19.	" paid Charles Bartlett, for magazines,	3 10	
Feb. 26.	" paid Librarian, postage and miscellaneous expenses,	98	
Feb. 27.	Cash in treasury,	16 42	
			$30 35

JAMES C. TAYLOR,
Treasurer.

Report of the School Committee

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEB. 28, 1885.

The schools in Derry have, in general, been prosperous during the past year. The opening of the year was marked by difficulties that threatened serious consequences in one or two schools, but the closing terms throughout the town were marked with tranquility and general prosperity. Whenever the committee has been called to decide questions of discipline, he has, endeavored to act impartially and with a view to the best interests of the schools. A majority of the schools have attained a high degree of excellence. In all, the teachers have evidently labored earnestly, and if the work of any has not been as satisfactory as could be desired, the failure can be attributed to inexperience or local difficulties.

How can we increase the efficiency of our schools? This is an important question. Your committee regards the town system as preferable to the one now employed. It places in the hands of three or more persons, at least a majority of whom would be unprejudiced in most cases that would demand their attention, the selection of teachers and the regulation of all affairs pertaining to the schools. It

secures more equal advantages to all the scholars in town. It can place teachers where they are best adapted, and secure their permanence from year to year if desired.

The voters of District No. 2 recognize these advantages, and have organized for themselves with a local school board, in order to secure similar results. The town system would be of special benefit to the outer districts. It does not necessitate, as has sometimes been affirmed, immediate and arbitrary consolidation of schools. If a judicious committee should be chosen to carry it out, whatever would be done in that line would have careful reference to the rights of all. It is only a question of time when the town system shall be made obligatory, by an act of the Legislature.

If the town system cannot be secured at present, there is a remedy to some of the disadvantages under which many of our districts labor.

There is an article in the warrant to be acted upon at the coming town meeting, to see if the town will vote to raise an additional amount of school money, the additional amount to be equally divided between the districts. Many towns do this, and it would only bring up the average of schooling in Derry a little nearer the point attained by some of the adjoining towns.

Additional money is needed under any system. The question is "How can it be most judiciously applied?"

Additional school accommodations are imperatively demanded at the Depot Village. Ninety-five different scholars were registered during the year—eighty-five in a single term. As there are but sixty seats for scholars in the school-room, the difficulties under which the teachers have labored may be readily seen. The rapid and continuous growth of the Village, assures a like growth in the school. These facts speak for themselves. A graded school would be a desirable acquisition for that Village.

TEACHERS.

The position of teacher in a district school is often a trying one. Sometimes she is a stranger, and if deprived of the sympathy and support of the parents she labors under difficulties sometimes insurmountable. Teachers are not perfect; they are liable to err in judgment as well as others; but experience shows that the great majority try to do their best, and are conscientious in the discharge of their duties. Neither are scholars perfect even if they are so considered by indulgent parents. In ninety-nine cases out of one hundred, if scholars are faithful, and show a spirit of obedience they would have no trouble with the teachers. It would be much better if parents would seek the acquaintance of the teachers of their children, and if trouble arises, would make personal investigation beyond the usually one-sided statements of scholars most inter-

ested, before they increase the difficulty by sustaining their children.

The future good of children, as well as the highest efficiency of a school, are to be considered before personal feeling.

STUDIES.

An effort has been made this year, with a promise of success, if carried out, to introduce the study of book-keeping, as an accompaniment to arithmetic, without making it an absolutely separate study. An acquaintance with business forms and single entry is a very desirable attainment for every scholar, and can be gained with but little extra effort. It is hoped that this matter will be followed up by those in authority the coming year, and that teachers will cooperate in making it a success.

No satisfactory physiology and hygiene to meet the requirements of the new law in regard to temperance instruction was received until too late to place it in the schools this year.

After a careful examination of many books, the "Temperance Physiology," by Mrs. Mary A. Hunt, has been adopted as most nearly adapted to accomplish the desired end. There is a difficulty in introducing a new study into our schools that will be readily seen. The small amount of schooling in some districts, and the pressure of other studies will doubtless lead to too great a neglect of this. To

insure success in pursuing this branch, general exercises in which the whole school participate are very important, with the text book as a basis. Only a few scholars are reported as having taken up this branch the past year. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union have presented copies of a temperance catechism to each school, which have been used by some of the teachers with excellent results.

The numbers of children in Derry, between the ages of 5 and 15, according to the last enumeration, is 310.

For convenience of reference the following list of text-books in use in town is reported: Franklin Arithmetic, Franklin Reader, Harrington's Speller, Warren's Geography, Duplex Copy-Books, Temperance Physiology, Meservey's Book-Keeping.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED S. STOWELL,
School Committee.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Pupils having a correct record of attendance for the year:

No. 1.

Jennie E. Burbank, Effie J. Morrison,
George E. Ela.

No. 4.

Clara A. Heselton.

No. 5.

Charles A. Lowe.

No. 9.

Martha J. Hemphill, Ina G. Morse,
Lillian J. Sutton, Arthur B. Williams,
Oliver H. Hepworth.

No. 11.

Florence M. Aiken.

Number for two terms:

No. 1.

Nettie C. Burbank, Harriet M. Ela,
Carrie F. Green, Bertha M. Morrison,
Mary E. Butell.

No. 2.

George W. Underhill, Alice L. Owens.

Number for one term:

No. 1.

Emily M. Ela, Ernest Moore,
Willie W. Hutchinson, Gertrude M. Shattuck,
Annie E. Dennison.

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Albert E. Shute,
Mary E. Blood,
Geo. R. Owens.

No. 3.

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Mary V. Parshley,
Harry W. Clark.

No. 4.

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Joseph R. Frost,
Mary Bean.

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No. 9.

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No. 11.

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Mary A. Kelly,

Georgie A. Parshley, Annie Sawyer,
Leo P. Watts, Hattie S. Harnden.

No. 12.

Katie A. Hill, Arthur H. Hill,
Milton I. Hill, Arthur F. Small.

DISTRICT No. 2.

At its annual meeting in 1884, this district voted to adopt the provisions of section 16, chapter 87, of the General Laws, and accordingly a Board of Education was chosen to take charge of the interests of the district.

The spring term was taught by Miss Grace E. Preston, who proved herself conscientious, earnest and intelligent in her work, and able to win the affections of her pupils. We were sorry that her physical strength was not equal to so great an undertaking, especially as it was her first effort in this line. She was assisted a few weeks by Mrs. Carrie Pettee, an experienced and successful teacher, who is now occupying a responsible position in Massachusetts.

The Board were fortunate in securing the services of Miss Emily H. Priestly, for the fall and winter terms, who has managed her large family admirably and given ample satisfaction to the Board and district. We have, however, to say that the work of managing and teaching over fifty pupils in a

school not graded, is a serious task upon the powers of any one person, and that it would be a great improvement in our system if our riches in children were equalled by our riches in money, so that we might be able to make two good schools of the one we now have.

The prompt and *constant* attendance of pupils is essential to the best general results of a school, as it is especially to the best good of the individual pupil. And it seems to the Board, that parents are not sufficiently awake to this fact, if they, without necessity, consent to have the places of their children frequently vacant in the school-room. The irregularity of attendance of some of the scholars in this district is much to be regretted.

For the Board,

E. G. PARSONS, *Chairman.*

District.	Number of Terms.	NAME OF TEACHERS.	Wages per Month.	No. of Wks. in Term.	Whole No. of Scholars.	Avg. Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Amount of School Money	Number of Visitors.	PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.
1	Sum.	Idella E. Green,	$32 00	8	35	30	.86	$229 10	10	T. T. Moore.
1	Fall.	do. do.	32 00	8	35	29	.83		14	
1	Win.	do. do.	34 00	9	36	28	.78		30	
2	Sum.	Grace E. Preston,	40 00	8	55	42	.77	373 39	14	Board of Education, Rev. E. G. Parsons, Chairman.
2	Fall.	Emily H. Priestly,	40 00	12	57	.45	.79		18	
2	Win.	do. do.	40 00	12	53	40	.75		14	
3	Sum.	Edna A. Clark,	18 00	9	21	18.7	.90	86 49	11	Julia A. Parshley.
3	Fall.	do. do.	20 00	14	21	17.7	.85		9	
4	Sum.	Ella A. White,	24 00	10	17	14	.82	149 49	18	Fred H. Bartlett.
4	Fall.	do. do.	24 00	13 2 5	17	13	.77		18	
5	Sum.	Arnie S. Batchelder,	22 00	7	20	20	100	92 83	25	John M. Palmer.
5	Fall.	do. do.	22 00	8	26	24	.92		36	
6	Sum.	Katie E. Coaker,	22 00	7	12	10	.83	79 20	18	Hazen W. Spollett.
6	Fall.	do. do.	22 00	6	17	5	.30		14	
7	Sum.	Kate T. Clark,	36 00	4	20	18.9	.94	131 89	2	Daniel George.
7	Win.	Anna C. Hemphill,	29 00	11	21	19	.91		25	
8		Lucinda T. Carlton,	26 00	9	18	12	.67	152 82	23	Horace A. Hill.
8		do. do.	28 00	12	16	13	.81		19	
9	Sum.	Alice D. Morse,	20 00	10	23	19	.82	112 67	23	John E. Webstsr.
9	Fall.	do. do.	20 00	11	23	19	.82		22	
10		(With Londonderry,)						46 56		
11	Sum	M. Coolidge, Prin.,	32 00	10	85	70	.82	337 22	33	Charles E. Harnden.
11	Fall.	M. L. Couch, Asst.,	16 00	16	82	58	.70		30	
12	Sum.	Annie L. Kimball,	21 00	8	13	11	.85	76 78	19	A. M. Bowen.
12	Fall.	do. do.	21 00	5	10	8	.70		7	

Number of Scholars Studying the Various Branches.

District.	Term.	Whole No. of Scholars.	Number in Reading.	Number in Spelling.	Number in Penmanship.	Number in Arithmetic.	Number in Geography.	Number in Grammar.	Number in History.	Number in Composition.	Number in Book-Keeping.	Number in Algebra.	Number in Physiology.	Number in Drawing.	No. in Vocal Music.
1	Sum.	35	35	35	35	26	25	3	4						
1	Fall.	35	35	35	35	26	23	14	3						
1	Win.	36	36	36	36	33	31	17	4						
2	Sum.	55	55	45	55	55	31	15	2	15					55
2	Fall.	57	57	46	57	46	33	12	2						
2	Win.	53	53	50	53	46	38	14	2						
3	Sum.	21	21	16	12	16	11	5							
3	Fall.	21	21	20	16	20	12	4	1						
4	Sum.	17	17	17	13	15	9	5		4					
4	Fall.	17	17	17	16	15	9	5	2						
5	Sum.	20	20	20	20	15			3	3					
5	Fall.	26	26	26	26	17			3	3					
6	Sum.	12	12	12	12	12	12	1	2						
6	Fall.	17	17	17	17	17	4	2	2						
7	Sum.	20	20	20	10	15	10	5			2	1			
7	Win.	21	21	21	12	17	12	4	3		2	1			
8	Sum.	18	18	18	16	18	16	6		6					
8	Fall.	16	16	16	16	14	14	3	1	3					
9	Sum.	23	23	23	10	15	10	4				1	1		
9	Fall.	23	23	23	9	16	10	4							
11	Sum.	85	85	85	76	76	35	11	4	6				18	85
11	Fall.	82	82	82	76	72	57	8	4	6				10	82
12	Sum.	13	13	13	13	12	7	2	1	3		1			
12	Fall.	10	10	10	10	10	7	2		4					

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